MY WRITING JOURNAL

This Journal Belongs To:

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Pre-writing

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Story 4.2

Writing Prompt: Story

READ the following sentence: *It takes courage to make a difference.*

THINK about someone you know who has made a difference.

WRITE a story about how that person made a difference.

Be sure to —

- identify the person who made a difference
- explain the events that took place and how the person made a difference
- use adjectives, adverbs, and verbs to precisely describe people, actions, and places
- use correct spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and grammar

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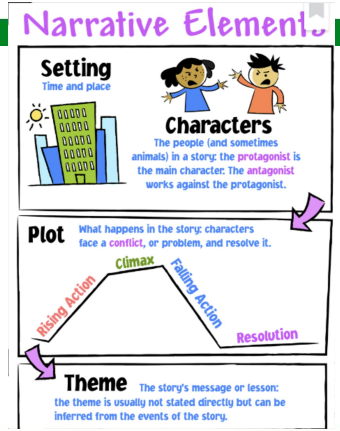
Narrative Elements
Setting
Time and place
Characters
The people (and sometimes animals) in a story; the protagonist is the main character. The antagonist works against the protagonist.
Plot
What happens in the story: characters face a conflict, or problem, and resolve it.
Climax
Rising Action
Falling Action
Resolution
Theme
The story's message or lesson: the theme is usually not stated directly but can be inferred from the events of the story.

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Planning My Story

Name the person you will write about: _____

Think About Audience and Purpose Now that you have your topic, think about who you want to read your story and your reason for writing it.

Who Is My Audience?	What Is My Purpose for Writing?
☐ family members	☐ to entertain
☐ classmates	☐ to learn
☐ friends	☐ to inform
☐ general public	☐ to persuade
☐ other: _____	☐ other: _____

What will be the conflict, or problem, in your story?

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What will be the resolution of the conflict in your story?

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